

and conditions of dilatation of the upper urinary tract, the treatment is much better determined by the exact anatomical diagnosis, which is feasible on the basis of pyelography. By this anatomical diagnostic method par excellence we are, at present, able to obtain pictures of the cast of the renal hollow system that are as clear and precise as specimens prepared by the surgical pathologist. From the perfection of this method, as regards simplicity of technique, painlessness and safety, depends the solution of the problem of "mechanics," which pervades the diagnosis of renal infections, and in which therapeutic measures, in order to be effective, must be based on the recognition of incipient stages.

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SOCIETY REPORTS

IN MEMORIAM.

The Fresno County Medical Society learns with profound sorrow of the very sudden and untimely death of its distinguished and beloved State Secretary, Dr. Philip Mills Jones, who departed this life, after a short illness, on November 27, 1916. This society desires to place on record its appreciation of his efficient and loyal service to the State, his uniform courtesy and kindly counsel in all business relations with this society. And

Whereas, Death has removed from the ranks of the medical profession of this State, a most ardent and faithful laborer for the advancement and promulgation of honest medicine; his valuable services in "Medical Defense" and higher standards in medical education, should receive due evidence of our appreciation and profound respect for his memory; therefore, be it

Resolved, That in the death of Dr. Philip Mills Jones the profession of medicine has lost a valuable member; the younger members an inspiration and example, and the State Medical Society a secretary whose place it will be hard to fill; and be it further

Resolved, That a copy of these resolutions be spread on our records and be printed in the California State Journal of Medicine, and be presented to the Council of the State Medical Society.

(Signed) GEO. H. AIKEN,
 L. R. WILSON.

MENDOCINO COUNTY.

At the call of the President, Dr. Lester C. Gregory, a meeting was held at Fort Bragg on December 16th in the residence of Dr. Gregory. This being a purely business meeting no visitors were in attendance.

After the minutes had been approved Dr. Harper Peddicord of Fort Bragg was elected to membership.

With the two previously elected new members, Dr. Judson Liftchild and Dr. G. W. Stout of Ukiah, the Mendocino County Medical Society closes the year 1916 with a membership of seventeen.

Those present at this meeting were Drs. L. C. Gregory, F. C. Peirsol, C. L. Sweet, F. McLean

Campbell, H. H. Wolfe, G. W. Stout, Harper Peddicord and Oswald H. Beckman.

A communication from Mrs. F. A. Spalding, mother-in-law of the late Dr. Philip Mills Jones, Secretary of the Medical Society of the State of California (Mrs. F. A. Spalding acknowledges with gratitude your kind expressions of sympathy at this time). This referred to the sad occasion of the double funeral of Dr. Philip Mills Jones and his widow, who survived him only by a few hours.

Election of officers for 1917 came next.

The following is a list of the elected and appointed officers for 1917:

President, Dr. Frank C. Peirsol, Mendocino; Vice-President, Dr. G. W. Stout, Ukiah; Secretary, Dr. Oswald H. Beckman, Fort Bragg; Delegate, Dr. Oswald H. Beckman; Alternate, Dr. Lester C. Gregory; Censors, Drs. C. L. Sweet, Judson Liftchild, G. A. Woelffel, Arthur C. Huntley, E. H. Sawyer and O. H. Beckman; Committee on Program for 1917, Drs. H. H. Wolfe, H. O. Cleland, Harper Peddicord, O. W. Sherwood; Committee on Ways and Means, Drs. F. McL. Campbell, Ida Malpas, S. L. Rea, A. D. Pitts and L. C. Gregory; Committee to look after joint meeting with the N. W. P. R. R. S. Association, Drs. G. W. Stout, Judson Liftchild, L. C. Gregory and F. McLean Campbell.

The annual dues were made \$7.00 instead of \$6.00. Dr. Peirsol, the sole member from this County Society to respond by his presence to the invitation of the N. W. P. R. R. Surgeons' Association to attend their meeting at Santa Rosa, reported a fine time and a very instructive trip.

Dr. Stout made a few remarks on conditions and operations at San Quentin. He stated that from twelve to fifteen M. D. convicts are working in the hospital.

After closing our arduous labors Dr. Gregory invited us to step into the dining-room and told us not to feel bashful in the least as all the dishes had been prepared under the personal supervision of his wife. The table and its decorations, both floral and meaty, looked very attractive and made one feel hungry. Three forks at your left hand gave a hint that preparedness was the best policy. I must say that nothing had been left to the tender mercies of any careless person, everything carried the stamp of the master housekeeper. We extend our thanks to Dr. and Mrs. Gregory. May they ever fare just as well throughout their journey here below.

OSWALD H. BECKMAN, Secy.

SAN LUIS OBISPO COUNTY.

At the last regular meeting of the San Luis Obispo County Medical Society Dr. R. O. Dresser of Paso Robles was elected president, Dr. C. J. McGovern elected vice-president, and Dr. A. H. Wilmar of Paso Robles was elected secretary.

Our society is progressing nicely.

Truly yours,

C. J. McGOVERN.

SAN JOAQUIN COUNTY.

The annual business meeting of the San Joaquin County Medical Society was held Friday evening, December 29th, at the office of the secretary. The society elected a Board of Directors for 1917 Drs. H. J. Bolinger, F. P. Clark, J. D. Dameron, L. Dozier, R. R. Hammond, C. R. Harry, L. R. Johnson, R. T. McGurk and D. R. Powell, and from this board elected Dr. C. R. Harry, president; R. T. McGurk, first vice-president; H. J. Bolinger, second vice-president, and D. R. Powell, secretary-treasurer. Dr. Barton J. Powell was chosen delegate to the State society, and Dr. W. J. Young alternate.

DEWEY R. POWELL, Secretary.